## LACERTA AMBOINENSIS.

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CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Corpus tetrapodum, caudatum, nudum.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 359.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

LACERTA cauda compressa longa, pinna caudali radiata, sutura dorsali dentata.

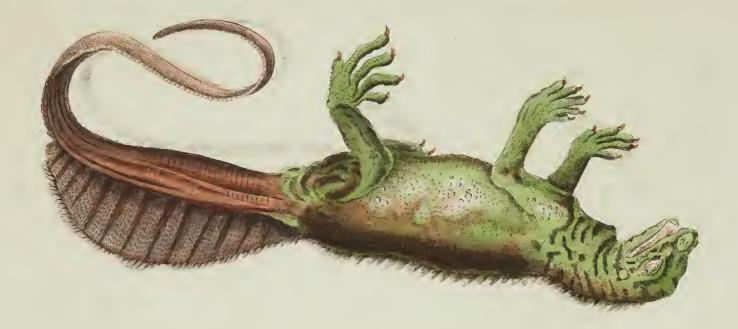
Lin. Syst. Nat. Gmel. p. 2064.

Schloffer de Lacerta Amboinensi, Amst. 1768. t. 1;

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## AMBOINA LIZARD.

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GENERIC CHARACTER.

Body four-footed, tailed, naked.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

Long-tailed variegated LIZARD, with radiated tail-fin, and dentated dorfal future.

The variegated AMBOYNA LIZARD.

This animal is one of the rarest of the genus, and is seldom to be found in European Museums. It is a native of Amboyna, where it principally resides in watery places; and indeed is frequently found in the water. It has been accurately described by Dr. Schlosser several years ago, and the description is accompanied by an excellent figure. In the museum of Mr. John Hunter a most beautiful specimen occurs. This species grows to the length of two seet, or even more. It is of that particular tribe in the genus which contains the Guana, the Basilisk, and some others. Its slesh, like that of the Guana, is said to be excellent.